Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 20 Jan 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 21 Jan 2024

Forecast Issued on Saturday 20 Jan 2024 at 04:24

Confidence: High for an unsettled and windy westerly pattern for the coming days, but lowering for the detail of transitions between the worst of conditions.

Headline for Saturday 20 Jan 2024: Cloudy with rain and summit sleet developing from the west. Summit gales bringing a severe windchill at height.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 20 Jan 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Gales
Low Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Poor visibility
Low Likelihood

Thunderstorms
No Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
Low Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Dull	Dull	Dull	Sleet	Sleet	Sleet
Precipitation probability					
20%	20%	30%	40%	60%	90%

Forecast for Saturday 20 Jan 2024

Weather: Mainly dry start with perhaps some limited brightness in east. Cloud thickening and lowering from the west through today with occasional rain and summit sleet developing, which turns heavy at times in the west, particularly during this evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 80% becoming this afternoon 20% in west 40% in east.

Low cloud and visibility: Good becoming moderate or poor in rain and sleet, very poor within cloud with bases lowering to become quite frequently in west to 600m, occasionally so in east.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	30/38 SW	32/43 SW	31/41 SW	28/38 S	33/44 S	32/44 S	30/42 S
300	18/37 SW	18/37 SW	19/37 SW	17/35 S	18/38 S	20/40 S	19/39 S
Valley	16/36 SW	17/38 SW	16/35 SW	14/32 SW	13/33 S	17/38 S	16/37 S

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	1/-6	2/-6	2/-6	2/-5	2/-6	2/-6	3/-4
300	4/-2	4/-1	4/-2	4/-1	4/-1	3/-2	5/0
Valley	4/-0	5/-0	5/-0	5/1	5/1	4/-1	6/2
Freezing Level*	500m	700m	800m	900m	900m	800m	1400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Conditions deteriorating from west this afternoon. Gusts to 50mph over exposed peaks and ridges.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
03:00 on Sat 20 Jan 2024	0.2mm	0.2mm	0.2mm

Forecast for Sunday 21 Jan 2024

Weather: Heavy rain and summit sleet soon clearing, then broken cloud and dry. Brighter spells and isolated showers through the morning, but cloud will increase with spells of heavy rain developing for the afternoon, breaking to showers late evening. In addition severe gale to storm force winds late in the day, adding to the difficulties as Storm Isha affects the area.

Maximum wind: Southwest strong at first gradually increasing severe gale to storm force winds for the evening, with gusts in excess of 70mph across more exposed ridges and summits.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: Becoming 80% overnight and for the morning, then decreasing 30% during the afternoon. In the evening improving 70%.

Low cloud and visibility: Good becoming moderate or poor in rain, very poor within cloud. Bases occasionally down to 600m during the morning and late evening, becoming quite extensive for the afternoon and early evening with patches lower down also.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2 Celsius increasing 13 Celsius
At 600m: Plus 3 Celsius increasing 7 Celsius
Freezing level: Well above all summits

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